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DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to United States Supreme Court Rule 29.6, parties joining this brief have no parent corporations nor are owned by 10% or more by a publicly held company.

STATEMENT

Respondents Council of Industrial Boiler Owners ("CIBO"), West Virginia Manufacturers Association ("WVMA"), Michigan Manufacturers Association ("MMA"), and Virginia Manufacturers Association (" VMA") support the petition of the States of Michigan, West Virginia, South

Carolina, Alabama and the Commonwealth of Virginia (No. 00-662) and the petition of the States of Ohio and Indiana (No. 00-663) for a writ of certiorari to review the ruling of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in *Michigan v. United States Environmental Protection Agency,* 213 F.3d 663 (D.C. Cir. 2000). Some of the Respondents have filed a brief in support of the petition challenging the same ruling filed by Appalachian Power Company, *et al.* (No. 00-445).

As Respondents pointed out in their brief supporting the earlier-filed petition, the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") rule at issue in these cases effectively charges industrial sources with violations of Section 110 the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §7410(a)(2)(D), yet the basis for the violations is an extra-statutory construct that conflicts with longstanding precedent. Respondents are concerned that if the ruling in *Michigan v. EPA* stands, EPA will be encouraged to ignore, where expedient, the plain meaning of the Clean Air Act and impose its own "short-cut" interpretation of the statute. Likewise, Respondents are concerned that the ruling left standing will permit EPA to bypass congressional directives regarding when and how regulatory costs should be considered, and impose instead the agency's own judgment. Further, Respondents agree with State Petitioners that EPA's approach has deprived states of the prerogative to determine how to achieve any necessary emissions reductions.

The rule significantly impacts the industrial sector in a manner that Respondents believe Congress did not intend by imposing a burden to reduce emissions based on the cost of controls, rather than the actual emissions contribution of the source or other sources in a given state to another state.

For these reasons and for those expressed in Respondents' brief filed in support of Petition No. 00-445, Respondents urge this Court to grant certiorari in these cases.

Respectfully submitted,

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